

2nd joint meeting of the Chairs of UNICA Working Groups and Members of the Steering Committee

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Doctoral Education

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Who we are? WG's Facts & Figures



UNICA PHD MASTER CLASS ORGANISING COMMITTEE:

- Jacques Lanarès (Professor, University of Lausanne)
- Patricia Rosado Pinto (Pro-Rector, Universidade NOVA de Lisboa)
- Lucas Zinner (Head of Research Services and Career Development Office, University of Vienna, President of PRIDE Network)
- Melita Kovačević (Professor, University of Zagreb)
- Bibiane Fréché (Head of Postgraduate Unit, Université libre de Bruxelles)
- Kris Dejonckheere (UNICA Secretary General)

+ key notes from members

Coimbra

Pride

Aims & Activities



Focus on training Supervisors and PhD candidates through a master class format

- 4 days in residence
- Inputs and working groups
- Net working activities

Activities

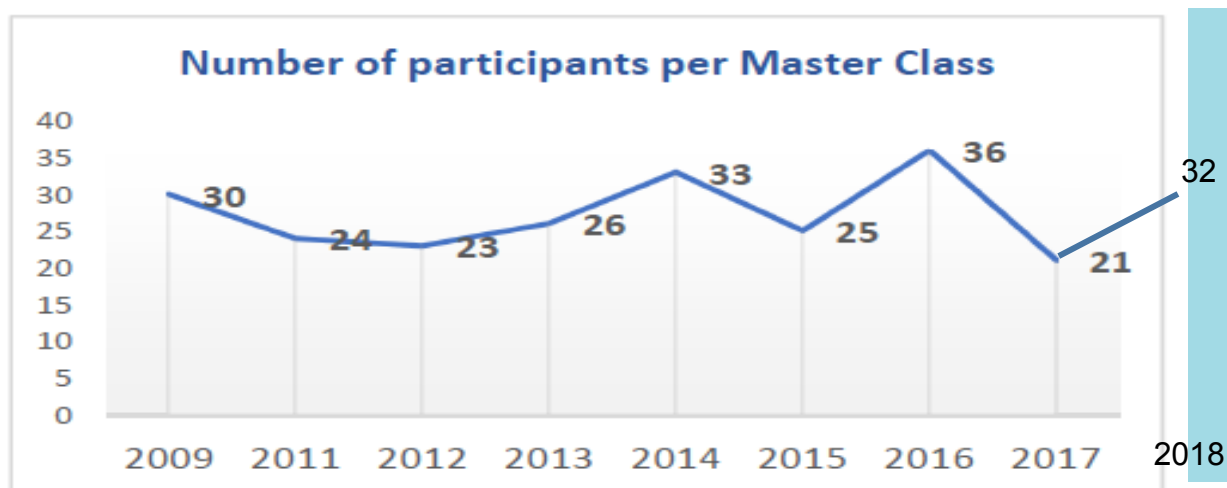


- 9 masters class with supervisors 250 participants
- 2 master class with PhD students
(in collaboration with Coimbra) 47participants

Various Topics

Year	Master Class	TOPIC
2009	1st	Supervision in Doctoral Education
2011	2nd	PhD Supervision
2012	3rd	How to Support Professional and Personal Development of Individual Doctoral Candidates: Methods, Measures, Instruments, Tools
2013	4th	How Does Globalisation Affect Supervision?
2014	5th	Linking Master with PhD: success factors for effective preparation of students for PhD candidacy
2015	6th	Crossing the finish line: PhD completion and career preparation
2016	7th	Professionalisation in Practice: Practicing Professionalism in doctoral education
2017	8th	Going beyond knowledge & skills in doctoral education: How to integrate values and professional attitudes in PhD training?
2018	9th	The role of doctoral schools to enhance quality in doctoral education

On average +/- 28 participants



A Majority of Unica members participated

UNICA Network of Universities rope



32 UNICA Member Universities participated at least one time



17 UNICA Member Universities never participated

Some photos from the WGs activities

UNICA Network of Universities from the Capitals of Europe



EU projects



Links with Unica EU projects

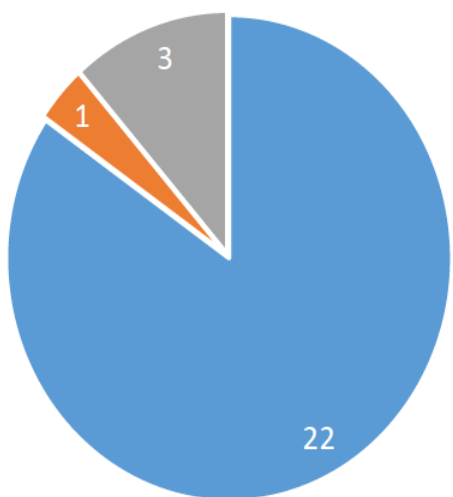
- Ouzdoc
- AECHE conference Rabat
- Pride conference
- (Links with EUA/CDE thanks to WG members)

Suggestions on the presentation of WGs on UNICA communication channels

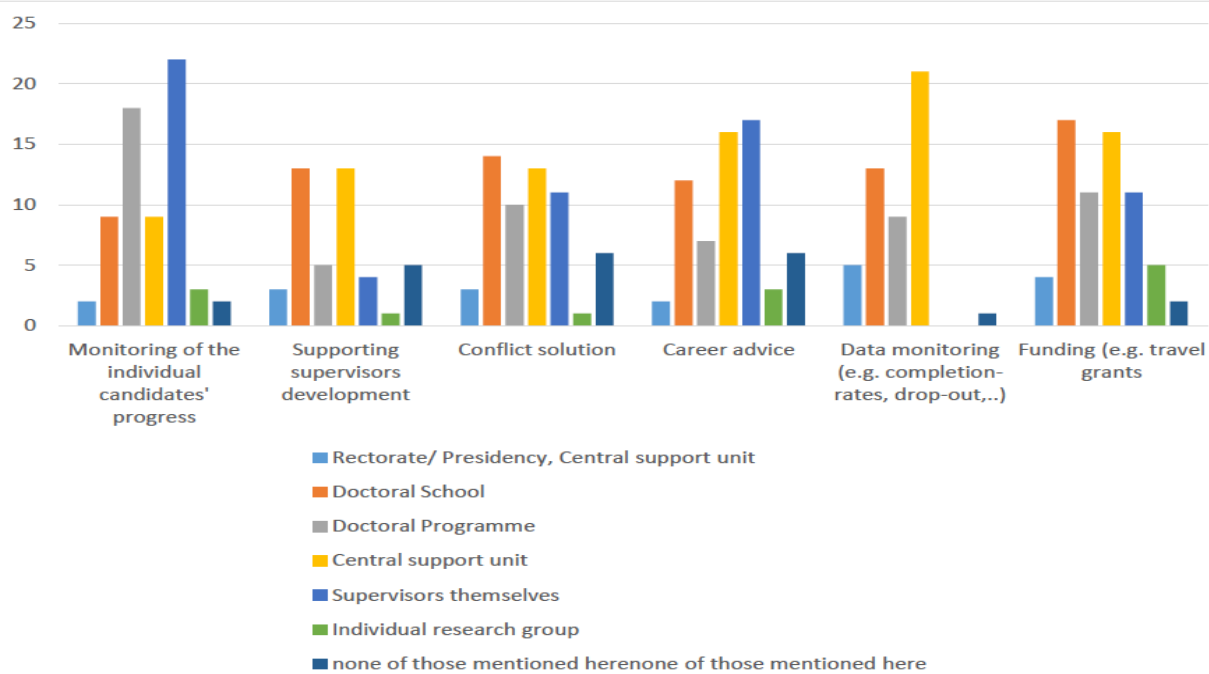


- **Participation is closely linked to “word of mouth” and specific annual topic.**
- **Current communication policy & practices seem adequate**

Do you have a doctoral school/doctoral schools?



- Yes, we have one or more doctoral schools in my university.
- We do not have doctoral schools in my university yet, but we are planning to establish them or one.
- I am not aware of any plans to establish one or more doctoral schools in my university.



Biggest successes & challenges



- **An Innovative initiative**
- **Evolution of content in line with changes in context**
- **Satisfaction of participants**

A main challenge: Identify a new relevant added value for members

+ involve more university leadership

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How are you feeling right now about UNICA & the WG?



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Objectives & plans for the future



Take into account the evolution of the context (more doctoral programmes everywhere)

- One every two years
- Discuss opportunities for other activities